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HONGKONG, TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 1890.

## TELEGRAMS.

## THE ARGENTINE REPUBLIC.

LONDON, July 31st.

Peace has been restored in the Argentine Republic. The casualties amount to one thousand killed and wounded; 5,000 of the rebel squadron surrendered. The Argentine Chambers have resolved to suspend payment of their obligations for a month.

August 1st.

Buenos Ayres is quiet and the Banks have re-opened.

Dr. Miguel Juarez Celman remains President.

## THE SILVER BILL.

The United States Treasury commences purchases of silver on the thirteenth inst.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H.M.S. *Rattler* arrived at Yokohama on the 25th ult.

The Austrian corvette *Zrinyi*, Captain Khitel, 4 guns, 150 men, arrived at Shanghai on the 28th ult. from Singapore.

The hull, machinery and cargo of the steamship *Yangtze* were sold to a Chinese bidder at Shanghai last week for Tls. 1,720.

We are informed by the agents (Messrs. Adamson, Bell & Co.) that the steamship *Thordale*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, left Singapore for Hongkong this morning.

The Pacific Mail S. S. Co.'s steamer *China* left San Francisco on the 31st ult. for Yokohama and this port, touching at Victoria, B.C.

TONQUIN journals report great damage to the crops by the recent floods. At the same time they complain that there is no water to drink!

RAILWAY enterprise is very much alive in Tonquin, 2,000 tons of material were to arrive the other day, for installation at Seven Pagodas.

THE returns of the number of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ending Aug. 3rd, are:—Europeans, 183; Chinese, 1,033; total, 2,216.

We are informed by the agents (Messrs. D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.) that the steamer *Yagan*, from Calcutta, left Singapore yesterday for this port.

H.M.S. *Firebrand* arrived at Shanghai on the 27th ult., from Tientsin, where she has been detained for so long, from the shoaling of the river.

THE Directors of the Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Company have declared an interim dividend of six taels per share, payable on the 6th August.

THE Occidental and Oriental S. S. Co.'s steamer *Delice* which sailed hence 8th ult., arrived at San Francisco on the 31st, making the run from Yokohama in 14 days.

We are informed by the agents (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.) that the *Glen*, liner *Glenloch*, from Antwerp and London, left Singapore on last Saturday evening for this port.

THE agents (Messrs. Melchers & Co.) inform us that the Norddeutscher Lloyd's steamship *Prinzess*, with the German mails, dated Berlin 8th July, left Singapore for this port at 8 p.m. on the 2nd inst., and may be expected on or about Thursday, the 7th.

News has been received at the U. S. Consulate, Yokohama, of the loss of the American ship *Truxburg* L. *Sweet*, from Australia to Hongkong. She was wrecked in April last upon a small island about thirty-eight miles Poulououk, one of the Caroline Islands, and her crew were at last accounts, still there.

It may interest students of natural history as the *Shanghai Mercury*, to know that a small bird, with a taste for legal matters, has built a nest on a bush just outside H.B.M.'s Supreme Court, from a number of scraps of paper, including bits of summons, writs and such like documents picked up from the sweepings of the Court.

THE Stanley "Awful Company" opened in Shanghai on the 25th ult. They advertise, "The *Mercury* critic commences his comments with the observation 'We are very sorry' etc. The *N. C. Daily News* finds it 'impossible to deny, after sitting through Saturday night's show, that the Hongkong papers had reasons for their strictures' Come off, Harry—foul the flag.

THE great and only C. F. Train is talking of another mad, world-circling tour in September. In his itinerary he figures out a fifty-day trip, including nine days for contingencies. He can't take Macao in, then, if the splendid twin-screw steamer *Huanghan* is running. He says on his advance envelope "Newspaper editors copy (programme) or I'll bust 'em!" Older and madder.

H.M.S. *Mercury* came out of Hungnam Dock yesterday, where she has undergone a slight overhaul preparatory to going north to join the evolutionary squadron in the neighbourhood of Hokkaido. The reserve ships *Esik* and *Towad* are now in dock for the purpose of general annual overhaul. When they come out a few days hence the *Wittem* will go round to Hungnam for the same purpose.

TWO Chinese were drowned in the creek near the French Police Station, at the top of the Rue du Consulat, Shanghai, last week. They had been washing clothes and afterwards indulged in a bath. Some skylarking ensued, and the water was made to boil, and the two could remain longest under water. The result was that the water was not claimed, as both lost their lives through their carelessness in not having induced both to remain under too long.

SOME time ago, when it was anticipated that there would be riots at Wuchang owing to the Viceroy Chang Chih-tung having ordered a few bridges to be pulled down so that they might not obstruct the passage of boats with machinery, the Viceroy hastily sent for his gunboat, then at Shanghai, and which came up with him from Canton to proceed at once to Wuchang to overawe the people. The trouble is now all over and the gunboat returned to Shanghai last week.

ABOUT five o'clock on Saturday afternoon the front wall of an old godown at No. 21 Prince East collapsed and buried in the debris a little girl and a coolie, who happened to be close to the wall at the time. The man was quickly extricated, comparatively uninjured, but the little girl was crushed to death, and her body at once removed by the Police to the Mortuary. Mr. Wedehouse will hold an inquiry at the Magistracy to-morrow into the circumstances.

THE *N. C. Daily News* gives the following history of the trouble which culminated in Admiral Lang's retirement from the Chinese Navy:—In February last the Northern Squadron had returned to Hongkong, whence Admiral Ting with four of the cruisers set out for Hainan. His departure had scarcely taken place when without a word of warning, the admiral's flag was hoisted down and that of the commodore run up in its place. Ordering an explanation of so outrageous a proceeding Admiral Lang was shown a telegram from Li Hung-chang, authorising the commodore to take command in the absence of the Chinese admiral, and ignoring altogether the claims of the English colleague.

There was obviously nothing to be gained by consultation with the two commodores, even if naval discipline had permitted an admiral to negotiate with his subordinate officers, and Admiral Lang immediately telegraphed to the Viceroy for instructions. If he was not to fly the admiral's flag it was for the Viceroy to indicate what distinguishing flag he might be permitted to use. Once more the English admiral found himself utterly ignored. Personally he received no reply to his telegram, but he was shown a message addressed to the two commodores bidding them inform him that no provision was made in the regulations as to what flag he should fly, but that some naval officer might be improved for him of the same shape as an admiral's flag but with only four colours instead of five. Further communication was of course out of the question, but not until the whole matter had been carefully considered and the full meaning of this discourteous proceedings completely established was the resignation resolved upon.

LOW ATAK, a storekeeper of 16 Victoria Street, who was arrested by Detective Sergeant McIver yesterday and brought before Mr. Robinson at the Police Court on a charge of bringing in unlawful possession of a quantity of spirituous liquor, the property of the Hongkong Hotel Company Ltd., was admitted to bail of \$500 in one surety upon the understanding that he would facit the music at the Police Court this morning. Much to the grievous disappointment of his backers, however, he did not put in an appearance, and the bail was accordingly forfeited.

THE *Shanghai Mercury* claims to be informed upon excellent authority that a syndicate of Continental financiers have tendered to the Chinese Government a loan of Tls. 20,000,000 for a long term, estimated at from fifteen to twenty years, at a low rate of interest, with the condition of supplying railroad material, and also with the hope of having a hand in the construction of the railways about to be built.

The big loan still hangs fire for some reason, though there are many anxious negotiators in the field holding out the most tempting baits to the Government.

As will be seen by an advertisement in another column, Messrs. Klier and Olman's Circus will open at Bowington, East Point, to-morrow evening. This clever company has just finished a very successful season of two months in Shanghai, and is most highly spoken of by the press of the model city. The troupe of trained dogs go through a series of first-class gymnastics in the front rank of the profession.

During the short visit of Messrs. Klier and Olman's exhibition, attended well-deserved popularity, and we trust that their present venture will be liberally supported by the Hongkong public.

THE Spanish Consul may be interested in learning that an imitation Manila lottery is held at some of the river ports. A ticket purchased at Chinkiang from a native post office reads as follows:—"Whole Ticket \$1.00, Tenth of do. 0.10. The drawing will be taken Manila Letter List and Winning Nos. will be packed as endorsed the back of this ticket. Drawing 7th August. One thousand eight hundred and ninety." It is very badly printed and the letters do not all belong to the same font of type. The information on the back of the ticket is a puzzle. It appears there are 1,000 prizes, including 10 grand prizes of \$500, 10 of \$333.33, and 80 of \$50 each, while there are 32 approximators of \$16.65.

BANK Holiday on that popular resort the Hotel Marina was an Arctic frost. All day long the launch was busy conveying thrills incarnate aboard, and—barring the popularity of the place with elegant Chinese—they found where-withal to quench themselves. Towards sundown a portion of the Band of the 9th Highlanders commenced an attractive programme, which the audience of some hundreds of persons highly appreciated. As the dinner-hour approached there was a general exodus on the part of the wiser majority, but somewhere about a hundred remained to see the "special."

It was indeed special, with a capital S. Provision had apparently been made for twenty, and the result was the slimmest spread ever seen—glass and tooth-picks galore, but no "chow"—not even any ice! Naturally the band were left in the cold, and they pretty nearly struck in consequence. And about eleven o'clock the hungriest, maddest kind of a mob left the Marina to seek something more filling than music and moonlight. But they had paid their dollars for dinner (?)

THE following extract from the letter of an eye-witness (a missionary) appears in the *Chinese Times* in reference to the recent fire at Kirin:—"At Kirin we had some difficulties in getting an inn, as the innkeepers are afraid to put up foreigners; one leading official and the *li-shih* are hostile to us, and we are accused of being the instigators of the great apoplexy; afterwards we heard that he had been scolded by a yamen runner for keeping us. We went to the streets and had a nice time with quiet sales, and generally we found a good feeling prevailing toward us. On the second morning we again had good sales; at noon, a fire burst quickly after we left. We got off all safely and made for an inn 20 li distant. At night, Kirin seemed like a furnace, and my helpers wished to know if it was anything like Sadei's house. We returned next day and found the telegraph engineer, the only European there besides myself, completely burnt out. The Governor-General's palace was also burnt. Some of the lights were awful. Outside the city, we noticed several heads of robbers, who had been beheaded before the fire. It is said that during the last five years, two thousand heads have been chopped off in Kirin. Though the law is stern, there seems to be no other remedy until the gospel regenerates the heart. At the beginning of the fire, several heads were tossed off from the burning houses before they were ignited; it had not much effect; the stealing was awful."

The fear of foreigners referred to above seems to be fear of the Russians specially; for the traveller saw several times taken to be a Russian. The floating straw bespeaks a current in north-eastern Manchuria as elsewhere.

THE composite screw steamship *Petrel*, built by the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Limited, for the British North Borneo Government, went on her trial trip last Saturday. She is one of the prettiest models yet turned out by our local John Elders, and will leave for Sandakan in the course of a few days, under command of Captain Sturdee, harbour master of the port of Sandakan. The *Petrel*'s dimensions are 102 feet between perpendiculars, 17 feet beam and 9 feet depth of hold. Her cabin, which is on the forward deck, is fitted up in the most luxurious style for the accommodation of the Governor of Borneo and his suite. The *Petrel* is schooner rigged, and carries an unusual spread of canvas, capable of driving her at the rate of seven knots per hour through the water without aid of steam. Her engines are of the triple expansion, surface condensing type, which develop 250-horsepower under pressure of 120 lbs. of steam. On her trial she exceeded all expectations by flying along at a decimal over the rate of 22 knots per hour. An important feature about this handy little steamer is her armament; a long-range Nordenfledt gun on the bow and a steel ram prow, which with her raking masts and funnel give her a very smart and imposing appearance. It is probable that upon arrival at Sandakan the *Petrel*'s name will be changed to *Alang*, which is the Malay synonym for Mr. Mayne, late chief engineer of the British steamship *Socohew*, who has been appointed chief of the *Petrel*, and will sail with her for Borneo at the end of the week. She is the 16th vessel built by the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd., who have now other and much larger vessels on the stocks. In addition to the *Petrel* the Dock Company have just completed a large steam launch, the *Darvel*, for Borneo, to the order of the local agents of the Darvel Bay Planning and Trading Company. The *Darvel* will be despatched to her destination by the next trip of the blue-funnel liner *Mamam*.

ALEXANDER LESLIE, private of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, was brought before Mr. Wedehouse at the Police Court, on remand, this morning, on a charge of wilfully and maliciously causing the death of a punkah coolie on the 1st ultimo by kicking him in the abdomen on the night of the 28th ultimo. After hearing a little evidence from a punkah coolie of the Military Hospital and Dr. Atkinson, who proved the cause of death, his Worship further remanded the case until to-morrow afternoon.

REFERRING to the fact that the Penang and Singapore papers give news about Sir Cecil Clementi Smith, Governor of the Straits Settlements and that the former says that he has a chance of being appointed Permanent Under-Secretary at the Colonial Office, while the latter says that he will probably succeed Sir John Walsam as Ambassador to China, the *N. C. Daily News* adds:—"It is to be hoped that the latter surmise is correct, for Sir Cecil Smith has the happy knack of making himself very popular with the Chinese, and yet has succeeded in carrying legislation regulating their peculiar customs in the Straits which no previous Governor ever dared to attempt. From private sources we learn from home that Sir Cecil's successful suppression of the Chinese Secret Societies in the Straits has given him immense prestige with the government, and it is not therefore to be wondered at that Sir Cecil is looked upon as a very eligible incumbent of the post of Minister to Peking. Never before did a British Governor gain the confidence of the Chinese residents of a British Colony, that he was able to bring into force drastic measures against an evil that no European had previously been able to cope with, and yet retain the confidence of the Chinese community to an extraordinary extent. Such a man is required at Peking, who will be able to cope with the Chinese, and yet be able to protect the honour and interests of the country he represents, and at the same time secure the esteem of the officials of the country to which he is accredited."

FIVE of the "boys" employed on board the C. N. Co.'s steamship *Taiyuan*, were charged before Mr. Robinson at the Police Court yesterday with assisting eight of their countrymen to stow away on the vessel on the 12th of June last. One of the prisoners, the No. 1 "boy," allowed that he did the job by request of the second steward, a European. Upon the request of Mr. Beat, of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's, his Worship remanded the case, allowing bail of \$100 for each of the prisoners. The eight stowaways were afterwards docked and charged with attempting to obtain a cheap passage to Australia. Mr. Beat, the agents' shipping clerk, said the defendants got to Sydney before they were discovered. It was, he added, a most serious affair for the company for they were liable to a fine of \$500 per head for each of the stowaways, and the forfeiture of the steamer into the bargain. He would ask his Worship to deal severely with the prisoners, who had already admitted the charge. His Worship imposed a fine of \$50 on each of the prisoners with the alternative of a month's imprisonment with hard labour. At the Police Court this morning Charles Nathaniel Betts, second steward of the *Taiyuan*, was charged before Mr. Wedehouse, by Mr. Beat, with aiding and abetting with Le Akit, late No. 1 "boy" on the *Taiyuan*, in obtaining passages for the above-mentioned Chinese from Hongkong to Sydney, without the consent of the owner, charterer, or master, and with conspiring with Le Akit to commit a breach of the Queensland and New South Wales Chinese Restriction Acts of 1888, whereby the said steamship might have been forfeited by the owner, and whereby the firm might have suffered great loss and damage. Mr. Hastings, of Messrs. Wotton and Deacon, appeared for the prosecution, and the prisoner was undefended. After hearing the application of Mr. Hastings for postponement his Worship remanded the case until Thursday afternoon.

COMMENTING upon the report of the London Mission on their hospital work in 1889 the *N. C. Daily News* says:—"It is satisfactory to learn that there has lately been a marked change in the attitude of Chinese patients towards amputation, for many have been willing to place themselves unreservedly in the foreign doctor's hands, and several major operations having been submitted to and carried out successfully. One of the most interesting cases was that of a soldier whose right hand had been blown to pieces by a cannon on the Emperor's yacht at the summer palace. The man, after consultation with his friends, consented to amputation of the forearm, but fortunately for him the surgical skill of the operators not only rendered this unnecessary, but they succeeded in saving one finger and, in fact, to that the man could draw a bow, and was able to continue to earn his livelihood. Minor amputations were of frequent occurrence, and one case reported is that of a cook who intentionally chopped off four of his fingers for the absurdest of reasons. He was quarrelling with another man, and deliberately mutilated himself in order to impress the other disputant with his courageous bearing and indifference to pain and injury. The doctor who records the case says with grim humour that it took him some little time to understand why the man in the quarrel above referred to elected to cut off his own fingers in preference to those of his opponent. The curious instance of self-inflicted injury recorded is that of a youth who had removed a portion of flesh from the calf of his leg, about the size of a crown piece, with which to make soup for his sick father. The result was disastrous for the son, and what was more unfortunate, the human broth did not succeed in saving the life of the father. In one instance hypnotism was resorted to in the case of a man who believed himself possessed by a snake, and who suffered severely from the truth through this delusion. The treatment seems to have been effective."

## SUPREME COURT.

## IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(Before Mr. A. G. Wise, Acting Puisne Judge.)

## A QUESTION OF CUSTOM.

Leung Ayon, ship charterer and compradore, sued Messrs. Hewitt and Co., agents of the Northern Assurance Company, for \$500, the value of certain fixtures which were destroyed by a fire at 72 and 74 Bonham Street in May last.

Mr. Robinson (instructed by Messrs. Caldwell and Wilkinson) appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Gedge (of the firm of Johnson, Stokes and Master) defended.

Mr. Robinson said that in May last the defendants admitted, by letter, the plaintiff's claim for fixtures. (Mr. Robinson) admitted that by English law there was no claim, as the old English law was all in favour of the landlord; but if he submitted conclusive evidence of custom among the Chinese in this Colony respecting fixtures, whereby they clearly belonged to the person who put them up, he contended that custom should be adhered to. If he failed to establish the custom in evidence and his lordship was willing to abide only upon the strictly legal bearings of the case he (Mr. Robinson) could only add that he hoped so.

English company of the standing of the Northern Assurance Company would not take advantage of a mere technical point in their favour when they had virtually admitted the justice of the claim in their letter of May last, and then merely desired the plaintiff to swear an affidavit upon the subject, which he had done in due course.

Plaintiff was then called and said that he had put the fixtures in the said houses. It was the custom amongst Chinese to regard fixtures put in houses by tenants as the property of the tenants, which they could, upon leaving a house, sell to incoming tenants. Witness received the letter produced from the Northern Assurance Company last May through his solicitor Mr. J. F. Webber.

Ching Sun Wo, a merchant, was then called and corroborated the evidence of the last witness. Mr. Robinson was about to call other witnesses to prove custom, when

His lordship said that the production of any number of Chinese witnesses would have no effect on his judgment, as he must go by the law and not by Chinese custom. He would give judgment for defendants with costs, as it was not usual to decide cases by custom only.

THE DARVEL BAY TRADING CO., LIMITED.

An extraordinary meeting of the shareholders of the above Company was held at the office of the General Managers, Messrs. Reuter, Brockelmann & Co., yesterday, for the purpose of passing a resolution for the winding up of the Company. There were present:—Messrs. R. Fuhrmann (Chairman), R. C. Wilcox, C. E. Bowles, A. Fuchs, G. Weller, Ho Fuk, Leong Cheong Mun, F. Rapp, H. Heermann, F. A. Brockelmann, and C. Klingemann (Secretary).

The Chairman explained that on two previous occasions resolutions that the Company be liquidated had been passed, but the proceedings were irregular, and therefore a third meeting had been called at the requisition of nine shareholders, holding 1,500 shares.

Mr. Ho Fuk again raised a variety of questions, and received more or less unsatisfactory replies, after which

The Chairman proposed "That the Company be wound up voluntarily under the provisions of the Companies' Ordinances 1885 to 1886, and that Frederick Alexander Alfred Busing Brockelmann and Ernst Richard Fuhrmann be appointed liquidators of the said Company with liberty for each of them to exercise all the powers of joint liquidators."

Mr. Rapp seconded, and the motion was carried by 35 votes to 7.

The Chairman having notified that the confirmatory meeting would be held in a fortnight, the proceedings terminated.

HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LIMITED.

An extraordinary meeting of the shareholders of this Company was held at noon to-day, in the Chamber of Commerce, for the purpose of confirming a resolution passed on the 19th ult. The Hon. J. J. Keswick presided, and there were present:—Hon. C. P. Chater, Messrs. E. L. Woodin, W. H. Forbes, H. Hoppius, D. R. Sassoon, L. Poesnecker, S. C. Michaelson, F. Doddwell (directors), D. McCulloch, C. S. Taylor, T. J. Rose, J. Gosmann, H. Wicking, J. F. C. da Rosa, and E. Osborne (secretary).

The Secretary having read the notice calling the meeting

The Chairman asked for a vote in confirmation of the resolution, which was as follows:—"Resolved that Mr. C. S. Taylor and Mr. H. Wicking, elected by the shareholders, and the Hon. C. P. Chater and Mr. L. Poesnecker, elected by the Directors, be and hereby are appointed a Committee to investigate, examine, and report upon the working of the business of this Company."

One hand was held up in its favor, and amid considerable amusement, two against it. The Chairman, with a somewhat surprised look, said that it appeared to him that the resolution was lost.

At that point Mr. Taylor came in, and Mr. McCulloch inquired if the resolution ought not to have been proposed and seconded?

The Chairman—You are asked to confirm it—it was proposed and seconded before.

Mr. McCulloch—And doesn't it require proposing and seconding again?

The Chairman—I believe not—I must stand corrected on the point, but I believe not.

Mr. Wicking—I did not vote either way, but I had I should certainly have voted in favor of the inquiry. You asked those in favor to hold up their hands, and only one did so; I did not hold up mine because I did not think it was necessary. If it is put again I think you will find a majority in favor of it.

The Chairman (after conferring with his colleagues)—I will put the resolution before you again, then.

Four hands were then held up for it, and, as before, two against.

The Chairman—The decision is reversed (laughter). At the last meeting I promised, in reply to the inquiry of a shareholder, to give you information as to the immediate prospects of the Company, and I have now much pleasure in stating that the business generally appears to be going on very satisfactorily. Since we last met an interim dividend of 31 per cent has been declared, and I hope that during the current six months we may do quite as well—or better. But on that point I will only speak with reserve. There are one or two matters of interest to the shareholders of the Company which will be of interest to the gross earnings this year as at the rate of about \$15,000 better than last year, at the rate, mind you, whilst the expenses are at the rate of some \$15,000 a year less. Of course that makes a great improvement in the state of affairs. (Hear, hear). I am glad to say that the special losses incurred last year in connection with the heavy storms have not to be met this year; they amounted to considerably over \$12,000, whilst this year there are only a few small claims—altogether about \$400—due to white ants, etc.

Of course on the other hand we have ceased to earn any interest whatever, whilst the amount paid under that head up to the 30th June was \$14,308. At West Point the old arrangement has now ceased, and the rent and taxes of the godowns for the next half-year have been reduced by one-half, against which there will be less storage. The net profit for the next six months is estimated at \$8,000, so that should it happen that the business at Kowloon goes on satisfactorily I think there every prospect of the current half-year being even better than the past.

But I would ask you to remember that I speak with reserve on the point, as it is better to keep without the sphere of prophecy.

Mr. Gosmann—As this information has been given in reply to my question at the last meeting I think it devolves on me to thank you for giving us those figures. They show good cause for congratulation, and I think I am mistaken in saying that while the whole of the net earnings for the twelve months last year only amounted to \$4,000 the first six months of this year show, if I am right, about \$8,000. I think that result is, to a great extent, due to the energy of our Secretary who, if, after all, not so black as was tried







**Auctions.****PUBLIC AUCTION.**

THE Undersigned has received instructions from the Official Liquidator, to Sell by Public Auction, on

**THURSDAY,**

the 7th August, 1890, at 3 P.M., at Bowrington.

THE PLANT & STOCK-IN-TRADE belonging to the CHINESE AMUSEMENTS SYNDICATE, comprising—

SWITCHBACK RAILWAY and CARS. SWINGS. SHOOTING GALLERY and BAR. TICKET BOX. BAMBOO FENCE, and 1 Lot SPARE STEEL RAILS.

TERMS OF SALE:—Cash on delivery. All lots to be cleared within two weeks of date of sale.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1890. [1124]

**PUBLIC AUCTION**

OF VALUABLE MACHINERY & PLANT, &c.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

**FRIDAY,**

the 8th August, 1890, commencing at 11.30 a.m., at his Sale-Rooms, Duddell Street.

AN INVOICE OF MACHINERY AND PLANT, comprising—

One 10 inch STROKE SHAPING MACHINE, One 12 inch TURNING & BORING LATHE, One 25 inch PILLAR DRILLING MACHINE, One 12 inch SHAPING MACHINE, One 12 to 16 inch S. & S. LATHE, length of bed 19 1/2 feet, Two SCREWING MACHINES, One 6 inch HAND LATHE, SUNDRY SMALL DRILLING MACHINES and HAND LATHES.

One Large BRASS TELEGRAPH COLUMN and DIAL with all necessary gear, One Small BRONZED ditto, a quantity of JUNCTION, SPRING, SAFETY, and STOP VALVES, SALTERS' SAFETY VALVES, PATENT HAND BLOWERS, TAPS and DIES, ANVILS, ASBESTOS ROOFING, &c., &c., &c.

The above are now on view at my Sale-rooms.

TERMS OF SALE:—Cash on delivery.

G. R. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 25th July, 1890. [1089]

**Insurances.**

EXAMPLES OF THE COST OF ASSURANCE TO A MAN AGED 30 NEXT BIRTHDAY.

£1,000 STG. payable at death, would cost per quarter at the rate of—

£ 6 18 0 (a) If premiums are payable for whole of life;

or £ 9 11 6 (b) If premiums are limited to 20 years;

or £ 11 4 6 (c) If premiums are limited to 15 years;

or £ 13 0 0 (d) If the Sum Assured is made payable at age 50, or at death if previous.

\* Secured payments.

THE same provisions if commenced at age 40 n. b. would cost respectively (a) £8.15.0, (b) £11.5.0, (c) £13.2.4, (d) £17.0.8 per quarter.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

982-4] STANDARD LIFE OFFICE

FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, OF 1877 IN HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 1st July, 1889. [56]

GENERAL LIFE AND FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY IN LONDON.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE and LIFE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 1st July, 1889. [57]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000.

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN, Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE, No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST, Hongkong, 17th February, 1889. [217]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000; \$333,333.33. EQUAL TO.....\$318,000.00.

RESERVE FUND.....\$318,000.00.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS. LEE SING, Esq. LO YUEN MOON, Esq. LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS ON GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the world.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST, Hongkong, 17th December, 1884. [1091]

**Notices of Firms.****NOTICE.**

WE have authorized Mr. JOAO JOAQUIM LEIRIA to sign the name of our Firm from this date.

J. J. DOS REMEDIOS & Co. Hongkong, 1st August, 1890. [1120]

**NOTICE.**

DURING my temporary absence from the Colony, Mr. J. W. CHOKER is appointed Acting MANAGER for Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd.

GEO. FENWICK, General Manager. Hongkong, 2nd July, 1890. [591]

**Consignees.**

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY. NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship "CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO."

The above Steamship having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from along-side.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

CHAS. D. HARMAN, Agent.

Hongkong, 2nd August, 1890. [12]

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "CARMARTHENSHIRE," FROM HAMBURG, ANTWERP, LONDON, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon, TO-MORROW.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 6th prox., will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 6th prox., or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 30th July, 1890. [1090]

**Hotels.**

HING KEE HOTEL, MACAO.

THE above establishment has been REMOVED to a better and larger House on Praya Grande Central.

L. HING KEE, Proprietor.

Macao, 8th July, 1890. [1024]

THE BOA VISTA.

BISHOP'S BAY, MACAO.

THIS House, situated on the Coast in one of the best and healthiest parts of Macao and commanding an admirable view facing the South, was OPENED as an HOTEL on the 1st July.

Every comfort will be provided for visitors with excellent cuisine and choice Wines.

Hot, Cold, Shower and Sea Water Baths. Large and well Ventilated Dining, Billiard, and Reading Rooms, and well supplied Bar.

A small dairy is attached to the premises. Mrs. MARIA B. DOS REMEDIOS, Proprietress.

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**To be Let.**

TO LET.

NO. 3, MORRISON HILL. Immediate entry.

Apply to G. C. ANDERSON, 13, Praya Central.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1890. [658]

TO LET.

A HOUSE IN WEST TERRACE. Immediate Entry.

Apply to G. C. ANDERSON, 13, Praya Central.

Hongkong, 3rd May, 1890. [511]

TO LET.

TOP FLOORS of No. 21 & 23, Pottinger Street, suitable for Offices or Photographic Studio.

CARMICHAEL & Co., 21 & 23, Pottinger Street.

Hongkong, 31st July, 1890. [1117]

TO LET.

TWO FLOORS of HOUSE No. 8, Stanley Street.

Apply to ROZARIO & Co. Hongkong, 10th July, 1890. [1031]

TO LET.

NOS. 21 and 35, ELGIN ROAD, behind the Old Union Church.

Apply to ACHEE & Co., 17, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 19th June, 1890. [557]

TO BE LET.

BAHAR LODGE.—FURNISHED.

Apply to HUGHES & EZRA. Hongkong, 17th April, 1890. [632]

TO LET.

FIRST FLOOR of HOUSE, 15, Praya Central.

2ND FLOOR of HOUSE, No. 64, Queen's Road Central.

Apply to LAI HING & Co., No. 153, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1890. [469]

TO LET.

POSSESSION from 1st June next.

HOUSE No. 22, ELGIN TERRACE.

Apply to J. SAMUEL, No. 24, Elgin Terrace.

Hongkong, 7th May, 1890. [727]

TO LET.

NO. 9, SEYMOUR TERRACE.

No. 7, SEYMOUR TERRACE.

No. 4, OLD BAILEY STREET.

OFFICES and CHAMBERS in Connaught House, Queen's Road Central.

Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co. Hongkong, 4th July, 1890. [12]

TO LET.

With Immediate Possession.

GROUND FLOOR No. 2, Blue Buildings.

1ST FLOOR No. 3, Blue Buildings.

Apply to THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., Ltd. Hongkong, 1st July, 1890. [1988]

TO LET.

TWO COMMODIOUS HOUSES in Carlton Terrace, Queen's Road East. Rent moderate.

Apply to G. R. LAMMERT. Hongkong, 1st July, 1890. [599]

**Intimations.**

W. S. MARTEN, ARTISTIC DECORATOR, AND

HOUSE AND ESTATE AGENT, 2, DUDDELL STREET, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 6th April, 1890. [574]

TO LET UNFURNISHED.

From August 1st.

TWO GOOD ROOMS, with Bath Room, in the Caine Road. Rent moderate.

Splendid View of the Harbour.

Apply to W. S. MARTEN, 2, Duddell Street.

Hongkong, 1st July, 1890. [599]

NOTICE.

THOMAS KERR & CO. ENGINEERS, BOILER-MAKERS AND

CONTRACTORS, YAU-MAT-TEE ENGINEERING WORKS, KOWLOON.

OFFICE—No. 23, Pottinger Street. Hongkong, 6th June, 1889. [26]

INTIMATION

Blackhead & Co., SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAIL-MAKERS, AND

PROVISION MERCHANTS, NAVY CONTRACTORS, AND

GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS. No. 11, Praya Central. (Opposite Padder's Wharf).

SOLE AGENTS

RAHTJEN'S GENUINE COMPOSITION

FOR THE BOTTOMS OF IRON SHIPS.

HARTMANN'S GREY PAINT, specially manufactured for coating the inside of STEEL SHIPS.

CARBOLINEUM AVENARIUS PRESERVATIVE AGAINST

ROTTING, DECAY, &c., of WOOD.

SAPOLIO. ENOCH MORGAN'S SON'S

SAPOLIO OR GENERAL CLEANING PURPOSES.

CHR. MOTZ & Co., BORDEAUX CLARETS

MAX HAASSEN'S FRANKFURT ON M. CONSERVED MEATS,

VEGETABLES and FRUIT CEMENT from the celebrated Factory of Hem-

SWEDISH TAR and OREGON PINE LUMBER.

FLENSBURG STOCKBEER, ENGINEERS' and BLACKSMITHS' MACHINERY and TOOLS.

EVERY KIND OF SHIP'S STORES and REQUISITES

ALWAYS IN STOCK AT REASONABLE PRICES.

ALL KINDS OF COALS

SUPPLIED AT THE SHORTEST NOTICE

Hongkong, 26th June, 1889. [130]

Geo. Fenwick & Co., LIMITED,

VICTORIA FOUNDRY, WANCHAI.

ENGINEERS, IRON and BRASS

FOUNDERS, GOVERNMENT & GENERAL CONTRACTORS, &c.

Established 1880.

Hongkong, 20th January, 1890. [519]

NOTICE.

JAY'S SANITARY COMPOUNDS COMPANY, LIMITED.

JAY'S WOOD PRESERVER OR ANTISEPTIC PAINT.

THE Undersigned have this day been appointed SOLE AGENTS for the sale of these PERFECT DISINFECTANTS, and are prepared to supply quantities to suit purchasers, at Wholesale Prices. Extra Special terms for Shipping and large Orders.

Sir ROBERT RAWLINSON, C.B., C.E., Chief Sanitary Engineer, Local Government Board, London, says

"It is the best Disinfectant in use."

W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co., Bank Buildings. Hongkong, 19th June, 1888. [12]

Dr. Knorr's ANTIPYRINE.

(Dose for Adults 15 to 25 grains Troy.)

IS the most approved and most efficacious remedy in cases of HEADACHE, MIGRAINE, NEURALGIA, RHEUMATISM, FEVER, TYPHUS, ZYSYPHILAS, HOOPING-COUGH, and many other complaints. It is also the very best Antiseptic. Highly recommended by the medical Faculty. To be had from every reputed Chemist and Druggist. Ask for Dr. KNORR'S ANTIPYRINE! Each Tin bears the inventor's signature, "Dr. KNORR" in red letters.

Supplies constantly on hand at the China Export, Import, and Bank Co.—Sole Agents for China. Beware of spurious imitations! Hongkong 29th May, 1889. [444]

**Intimations.**

THE HIOGO HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

(To be registered in Hongkong as a Limited Liability Company under "The Companies Ordinance 1865 to 1886.")

CAPITAL.....\$175,100

Divided into 1,700 Ordinary Shares of \$100 each and 340 Founders' Shares of \$15 each.

TERMS OF SUBSCRIPTION:

For the Ordinary Shares—\$15 on application, \$25 on allotment, \$25 on the 1st September, 1890, and the balance on the 15th September, 1890. The Founders' Shares must be paid in full upon allotment.

Founders' Shares will be allotted to applicants for Ordinary Shares in the proportion of one Founder's Share for every complete five Ordinary Shares allotted to them.

The Founders' Shares will not be entitled to participate in a dividend in any year until 10 per cent. per annum has been paid for the year on the Ordinary Shares. The surplus profits, after the payment of such dividend and making such provision for a Reserve Fund as the Directors shall deem advisable under the provisions of the Articles of Association, will be divided equally between the Founders' Shares and the Ordinary Shares.

In allotting the Shares reserved for the different ports, regard will be had to priority of application.

PROVISIONAL DIRECTORS.

Mr. R. HUGHES. Mr. F. S. GOODISON. Mr. J. D. CARROLL. Mr. E. H. HUNTER. Mr. D. B. TAYLOR. Mr. W. E. DRUMMOND.

BANKERS. THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

SOLICITOR. Mr. J. C. CREGG.

BROKERS and SECRETARIES (PRO TEM.) Messrs. ABELL & RALSTON.

ABRIDGED PROSPECTUS.

THIS Company is formed for the purpose of acquiring and carrying on the well-known and lucrative Hotel business conducted for many years by the late Mrs. GREEN, and for the past nine years by Mr. W. G. JOHNSON, who is now desirous of relinquishing active participation in the management, but shows his entire confidence in the prosperity of the Company by becoming a large holder of Shares.

The property purchased by the Company is as follows:—

A piece of land having a frontage to the Bund of 245 ft. 5 in. and held in perpetuity from the Japanese Government at an almost nominal rental. This ground was the first selection made when the port was opened to foreign trade, and carries with it the extremely valuable privilege to use the beach in front of the land for its entire length down to low water mark, an advantage not enjoyed by any lot in the Foreign Concession, and which effectually secures to the property an uninterrupted view of the Harbour.

The main building of the Hotel, situated at the corner of Division Street and the Bund, and in close proximity to the Harbour, the usual landing place for passengers from vessels visiting Kobe. The building is substantially constructed of stone and brick, and has recently been repaired and painted, and contains spacious Bar and Billiard Rooms, large Dining Room, Bed Rooms, Waiting Room, and extensive accommodation for baths, &c.—in short, all the requisites of a first-class Hotel.

Two houses (two stories) adjoining and connected with the Hotel, each containing six rooms. One house (two stories) separated from the Hotel by a mud garden now on the property acquired by the Company, and containing seven rooms.

Brick and mud Godowns, two two-storied stables, quarters, and ample store-room and culinary accommodation, hot-water pressure boiler, &c., &c.

In the rear, and separated from the main buildings by a street or lane, are two plots of ground, one containing 300 tubso more or less, and the other 132.83 tubso more or less. These properties are held for terms of years expiring respectively on the 18th September, 1909, and the 1st July, 1911, at the annual rental of £80 yen and 77 yen. These rentals are payable five years in advance, and the Company will be entitled to the benefit of any moneys so paid.

One House (three stories), containing twelve rooms, with bath-rooms and other conveniences.

One House (two stories), containing eight rooms and similar accommodation.

One House (two stories), containing four rooms, used for gentlemen's valets.

One House (two stories), containing twelve rooms, used for servants' quarters.

One House containing four rooms and similarly utilized.